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RE: Bay Delta Conservation Plan Environmental Impact Report  
/Environment Impact Statement

Dear Ms. Brown,

The Southern California Water Committee (SCWC) was pleased to testify at the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) public scoping meeting held in Los Angeles on May 8, 2008.

The SCWC is a broad based nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that is committed to one purpose - securing adequate, reliable, affordable, quality water supplies for California. In the last twenty-four years we have represented eight counties, Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura, and their respective cities, water agencies, agricultural entities, and businesses.

There is an urgent need for action in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and the SCWC believes that the BDCP process is critical to map out a comprehensive solution that improves the sustainability of the Delta by improving the Delta's environmental integrity and providing reliable, high quality water for California's economy.

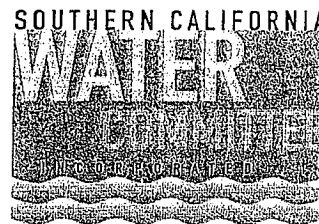
The EIR/EIS includes a 'no action' alternative. In the opinion of the SCWC, no action in the Delta is not acceptable. Without new infrastructure, the Delta will continue to degrade and without substantial improvements and protections of water exports, California's economy will decline.

California requires a reliable water supply from the Delta and a healthy Delta ecosystem. Neither is possible without addressing the challenges of the Delta's deteriorating conditions. It is our expectation that the BDCP will advance a plan to improve the sustainability of the Delta and a comprehensive water solution for California.

Very truly yours,

  
Joan Anderson Dym  
Executive Director

Enclosure: SCWC Membership Roster



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